

# SCCCR MONTHLY BLAST

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**GenEdits Go Live** – March 1

**Hospital Re-abstracting Audits** –  
March 15

## Webinars/Workshops:

Himagine Solutions – Breast Cancer  
February 24, 2021

NCRA Virtual CTR Exam Prep  
Workshop: Hands-On Strategies for  
the Open-Section Tuesday, June 8  
and Thursday, June 10, 2021

FCDS Webinars: 3/4/21 Abstracting  
and Coding Boot Camp 2021

The Massachusetts Cancer  
Registry's Ninth Annual Educational  
Workshop hosted by Dana-Farber /  
Brigham and Women's Cancer  
Center will be a Zoom event on  
Tuesday, February 23, 2021

**Early Bird Registration for Virtual  
NCRA Conference ends March 1,  
2021.**

AJCC has recently released new  
errata for the 8th edition. Below is  
the link to access this information.

<https://www.facs.org/Quality-Programs/Cancer/AJCC/cancer-staging/updates-corrections>

South Carolina Central Cancer Registry 2021 Data Reporting Requirements & Guidelines has been updated and available on our website. This has also been distributed to leadership throughout the state via email. If you have any questions, concerns or find a correction that needs to be made please contact: Connie Boone [boonecr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:boonecr@dhec.sc.gov)

## SCCCR Research Study Collaborations

**Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma Study** please contact:  
Kammy Rebl (803) 898-4319 if you have eligible patients.

**African American Cancer Epidemiology Study (AACES)** please  
contact: Connie Boone (803) 898-0985 [boonecr@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:boonecr@dhec.sc.gov) if  
you *do or do not* have cases

## Monthly Abstracting Tip: *Let's talk about text!*

When the central registry is reviewing and processing submitted cases, empty text boxes are all too common. Minimal text is all too common. Empty text boxes will no longer be able to be submitted.

Text within our abstracts are a very important part of the abstract.

- The information entered in each text box should tell that portion of the patients' story.
- Documentation within the text fields justifies the codes throughout the abstract
- Adequate text also highlights the integrity and dedication of the CTR who completed the abstract.

Filling in the text boxes can be a little time consuming at times. Our data is used in various ways, whether it be a study, information to determine goals, determining community needs, etc. Basic codes within the abstract does not always help with that. Not everyone understands our codes and the rules behind those codes.